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## HEARINGS SET TO START IN EARLY OCTOBER IN LACLEDE GAS COMPANY RATE CASE

JEFFERSON CITY--The Missouri Public Service Commission has modified the hearing schedule in a natural gas rate case filed by Laclede Gas Company. Hearings, originally scheduled to begin on September 26, 2005, are now scheduled to start on **October 3, 2005.** These hearings, which are scheduled through October 14, 2005, will be held in the Commission's hearing room located in the Governor Office Building (200 Madison Street, Jefferson City).

The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. If a customer needs additional accommodations to participate in these hearings, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

Laclede Gas Company filed a natural gas rate case with the PSC on February 18, 2005, seeking to increase annual revenues by approximately \$34 million (4.1%). The increase for a residential customer using natural gas for heating would be approximately \$4.00 a month.

Laclede Gas Company serves approximately 630,000 natural gas customers in the City of St. Louis as well as the Missouri counties of St. Louis, St. Charles, Butler, Iron, Franklin, Jefferson, Madison, St. François and Ste. Genevieve.